

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

November 16, 2006

Stephen E. Hershkowitz Sandler, Reiff & Young, PC 50 E Street, SE Suite 300 Washington, DC 20003

RE: MUR 5869

Montana Democratic Party
Brenda Schye, Treasurer

Dear Mr. Hershkowitz:

This is in response to your letter dated November 15, 2006, which we received on that day, requesting a 30-day extension to respond to the complaint filed in the above-noted matter After considering the circumstances presented in your letter, the Office of General Counsel has granted the requested extension. Accordingly, your response is due by the close of business on or before December 21, 2006.

If you have any questions, please contact me on our toll-free telephone number, (800) 424-9530. Our local telephone number is (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Kim Collins, Paralegal
Complaints Examination and
Legal Administration